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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 7, 2006. A request for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.